# Alerts Monthly Status Report September 1999

- Revising Phase II Master Schedule to Reflect Change in Environmental and Operational Testing Strategy: After the Alerts Acquisition Program Baseline (APB) was approved, which contained a command wide operational test, the Alerts Team received direction that this approach is not acceptable. As a result, the team is working to develop a revised schedule for Phase II, to include this change in environmental and operational testing strategy. It is not clear at this time whether this change will impact the overall APB FOC date.
- **Phase II Training Budget Cuts:** The Alerts Program Manager was recently advised of a 20% cut in the Phase II training budget. The team is working to minimize the impact.
- Coding Update for Phase II Internet Explorer Fix: The coding for the Customer Access module of Alerts is complete. ManTech is currently testing the application and plans delivery for DCMC Integrated Technology Center (DITC) testing on October 7. If DITC receives the application on October 7, they will begin a System Test with a projected completion date of October 29. Once the System Test is complete, DITC will certify the application and begin making preparations for the 2-week Functional Test to be conducted in Atlanta starting November 29.
- **Phase II Systems Administrator's Manual:** The System Administrator's Manual is complete and is being reviewed by ManTech's Quality Division. They plan to deliver this document to the Alerts Team on October 4 for review. The manual will be updated and the final copy will be released in preparation for installation.
- **Phase II Software Transition Plan:** The Software Transition Plan is also complete and is awaiting review by ManTech's Quality Division. They plan to deliver this document to the Alerts Team on October 6 for review. Comments will be incorporated in the document and the final document will be returned by November 15.
- Phase II Alerts Security Accreditation Package/DLA Security Meetings: The Alerts Security Accreditation Package is nearing completion. The DCMC Program Manager and DITC also met with representatives from DLA-CI recently to discuss the Alerts/SDW system to system interface and security requirements in general.
- Alerts Home Page Updates: The following updates were made to the Alerts Home Page

   the Alerts POC listing was updated, a link to enable users to search for a specific contract administration team was added, the buying command office symbol file was updated, the information concerning customer sites at FOC was updated, a link to enable users to search for an organization's DoDAAC by using DFARS Appendix G was added, and the August

## **DCMDW Phase II Input:**

- **Environmental and Operational Test Site:** Preliminary discussions have begun in order to request that Phoenix participate in the Alerts Phase II ET and OT.
- Request for TASO and SYSOP Information for Fielding Alerts: SYSOPS and TASO workstation names were requested for use in the future Tivoli load. The request will be reissued due to lack of response.
- **Phase II Customer Training Meeting:** Ray Curtis, Herb Cowart, Oscar Rocha and Bill Luzinski will attend a meeting in Atlanta the week of Oct 25<sup>th</sup> to develop the External Customer Training Package.
- **District Web Server:** There is no change concerning the receipt and installation of the District Web Sever. Plans were to include receipt by 3 September and installation by 30 September, 1999.

# **DCMDW Phase I Input:**

- General Problem Resolution and Site Visits: Site visits were made to DCMC San
  Antonio and DCMC Raytheon E Systems to discuss user problems, and to have a general
  discussion concerning the Alerts System. Both Organizations are generally supportive of the
  Alerts Program. Some of the teams were ill advised as to who would use Alerts, but further
  discussion found some of the decisions were made to resolve resource inadequacy (i.e.
  CMA's not being used for Manufacturing and Surveillance functions and QAR's passing
  notes to the IS for Alerts input).
- **Sysop Passwords:** San Antonio reported having problems with Sysop passwords. Oscar Rocha was able to provide guidance for them to have their passwords reinstated.
- Location of Delinquent Schedules: DCMC San Francisco is reporting a problem with DCMC Lockheed Sunnyvale delinquent schedules appearing in the San Francisco database. Cage codes and CAT teams have been checked thus far. Trouble shooting continues.
- Tasking 206-99, Maintenance of Alerts Phase I: DCMDW has now completed the tasking to cleanup the CAT tables.

• **DCMC Long Beach Alerts Briefing:** DCMC Long Beach has requested an Alerts briefing for users and Management. The briefing is scheduled for 5 October, 1999 and will be presented by the DCMDW Alerts Team.

#### **DCMDE Phase II Input:**

• **NET8 Installation:** NET8 is currently ready for deployment in the East District.

# **DCMDE Phase I Input:**

- TACOM Email Address Changes: TACOM changed email addresses and could not
  receive any emails from Alerts Phase I. As a result, they had Phase I requests issued but
  received no responses through email. The DBA in Boston worked the issue and changed
  the email addresses in Alerts. Follow-up email from TACOM verified that they are now
  receiving their email.
- Warner Robins Password Issue: Warner Robins thought they had a problem with the
  new passwords issued; however, after telephone conversations with the liaison at Warner
  Robins, it appeared to be a timing problem. The person who was to distribute the new
  passwords was late in notifying the users.

## **DCMDI Input:**

• **Alerts Problems:** International has not experienced any major problems with the Alerts program during the past month.

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